of the following sectors therein;

1. Public Sector
2. Indian Large Scale Sector
3. Indian Small Scale Sector
4. Foreign Sector; and

(b) what steps Government proposes to take to reduce the import of bulk drugs?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) The value of bulk drugs imported during the last three years is as follows:—

1981 82 : Rs. 105.06 crores
1982-83 : Rs. 115.55 Crores
1983-84 : Rs. 123.06 Crores

Sector-wise details of imports are not maintained in this Ministry.

(b) Normally only such drugs as are not produced in the country or whose production is not sufficient to meet the requirements of the country are imported. However, for increasing indigenous production of drugs, Government have been approving additional capacities and foreign collaborations, based on the merits of each case.

High costs of bulk drugs manufactured in the country

1971. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:
DR. MAHABIR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that bulk drugs manufactured in the country are 3 to 4 times costlier than imported bulk drugs; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor and what steps Government propose to take to bring down the cost of production?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) The prices of some of the bulk drugs produced in the country are costlier than the import prices.

(b) The prices of bulk drugs produced in the country depend on plant sizes, technologies used, efficiency of manufacture, and indigenous costs of materials and inputs.

Foreign collaboration proposals for import of new/improved technologies are approved by Government on the merits of each case. Levies of duties on important drug intermediates are rationalised from time to time.

Setting up of Labour Courts/Industrial Tribunals in Delhi

1972. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:
SHRI SUSHIL CHAND MOHUNTA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether any writ of mandamus was issued to Delhi Administration to set up more labour courts/industrial tribunals in Delhi by Delhi High Court;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard;

(c) the total number of disputes pending before them to be disposed of as on the 30th June, 1984;

(d) the number of applications waiting to be referred to them for adjudication as on the 30th June, 1984;

(e) whether any courts/tribunals have been set up since the writ was issued and if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(f) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND REHABILITATION (SHRI VEERENDRA PATIL): (a) Yes, Sir.